

Bulky Wood Waste Guide - How to dispose of it in Arlington

* **bulky item**: one is allowable per week per household

What is allowable wood waste in Arlington curbside trash?

- Small amounts of milled wood and particle board can be included with household trash as part of the 100 gallon (three 32-gallon barrel) weekly trash limit
- A crate, box or pallet is considered a **bulky item***
- Wood furniture should be kept whole, not broken down into pieces, and is considered a **bulky item***
- Wood composite furniture is considered a **bulky item***. Please keep pieces together, preferably assembled.
- Natural wooden logs, limbs and root balls *are not allowable, per state waste ban laws*

How much wood waste is allowable?

- One 32-gallon trash barrel of wood waste per week per household is allowable, and is included as part of the allowable trash limit of 100 gallons per household, per week
- A trash barrel of wood waste *cannot exceed 50 lbs.*
- Bulky wood items that do not fit in a trash barrel can be placed out as a **bulky item***

How to prepare the wood waste for collection:

- MUST be placed in a trash barrel for safe handling purposes
- Pieces MUST be cut to under 4 feet in length
- NAILS must be hammered down flat or removed

How to prepare specific items:

- *Swing sets or wooden play structure*: leave ladders intact and place out as a bulk item. All other pieces should be prepared and set out at the curb as described above.
- *Built-in furniture*: one furniture-sized piece is acceptable as a bulk item if it is recognizable and intact.
- *Fence sections (typically 8-feet long)*: One 4-foot length is considered one **bulky item***
 - Fence that is 4-feet high and under: sections should be cut into 4-foot lengths
 - Fence that is over 4-feet high: 4-foot long sections should be cut again into 4-foot high pieces

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* Multiple small pieces of wood waste should fit into a trash barrel for safe handling purposes

* ONE BARREL of wood waste counts as part of the weekly household limit of 100 gallons, or three 32-gallon trash barrels

Type of wood	Trash?	How to prepare	Examples	
Milled boards Milled lengths Particle board	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cut to under 4 feet long * Fit in a trash barrel One barrel full per week MUST weigh under 50 lbs. 	Acceptable If under 4 feet	
Boxes Crates Pallets	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Fit in a trash barrel OR Place out as a bulk item 	Acceptable	
Logs Branches	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Give them to someone with a fireplace Dispose of with landscaping service 	NOT Acceptable (state law) MUST be under 4 feet	
Molding Strapping 2' x 4' lengths	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cut to under 4 feet long * Fit in a trash barrel One can full per week MUST weigh under 50 lbs. 	NOT Acceptable (Waste-to-energy facility rule) Acceptable	
Furniture Built-in furniture	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leave furniture in one piece One piece (Bulky Item) per week IMPORTANT: Dismantled furniture looks like scrap wood and reveals nails and splintered wood. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chair Table Wood bed or futon frame Sofa Bench 	
Fencing	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One length per week 4 feet high and wide 8 feet high cut to 4 feet high 	Acceptable	